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SUBJECT: USDA/POTENTIAL SALE OF TURKEY MEAT TO POLAND

TO: RICH FOODS  
WEST LIBERTY, IOWA  
TELEX 0464447

ATTENTION: PETER POHL-URGENT

1. RE MY TELEX OF JAN 5, 1977, I MET TODAY WITH DR.  
JARZEBSKI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE POLISH VETERINARY SERVICE  
(PVS), ON THE COMMUNUTED TURKEY MEAT SITUATION. I LEARNED  
THAT PVS HAS RECOMMENDED TO MINHEALTH THAT STAPH COUNT  
STANDARDS BE RAISED TO N-T-E 100 PER GRAM FOR COMMUNUTED  
TURKEY MEAT ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT IS FOR FURTHER PROCESSING.  
PVS EXPECTS AN AFFIRMATIVE DECISION.

2. OUR OPINION IS THAT THE PROBLEM IS BASICALLY A LACK  
OF FAMILIARITY AND EXPERIENCE WITH THE PRODUCT. ACCORDING TO  
JARZEBSKI, HOWEVER, THE MEAT INDUSTRY IS EXTREMELY INTER-  
ESTED IN IT, AND HE FEELS THAT IT IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME  
UNTIL THE GO AHEAD SIGNAL IS GIVEN.

3. COINCIDENTALLY, DR. JARZEBSKI AND TWO COLLEAGUES (DRS.  
MICHALOWSKI AND ANDRZEJEWSKI) WILL BE TRAVELING TO THE U.S. ON  
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VETERINARY MATTERS BEGINNING SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, THROUGH  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1977. THE TEAM WILL BE IN APHIS  
(STEINMETZ) HANDS JANUARY 11-14 AND WILL BE ON A POLISH  
EMBASSY (AGATT DR. JERZY RASINSKI) PLANNED PROGRAM JANUARY  
15-20. THEY WILL BE D.C., N.Y., AND CHICAGO. WITHOUT  
COMMITTING YOU IN ANY WAY, I TOLD DR. JARZEBSKI THAT I WOULD  
TRY TO ARRANGE WITH YOU FOR A PLANT VISIT IF MUTUALLY AGREE-

ABLE SCHEDULING COULD BE ARRANGED. JARZEBSKI IS VERY INTERESTED AND NOTED THAT THE TEAM WOULD BE IN CHICAGO ON JAN 17. I PROPOSED THAT RATHER THAN FIXING DATE AT THIS POINT, I WOULD ASK YOU TO COORDINATE ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH RASINSKI OR STEINMETZ IF RICH FOODS IS AGREEABLE TO SUCH A VISIT.

4. PLEASE ADVISE BY RETURN TELEX IF A VISIT TO A RICH FOODS PROCESSING FACILITY IS POSSIBLE, AND IF YOU HAVE A PLANT NEAR CHICAGO COULD SEND THE COMPANY PLANE TO PICK THE TEAM UP THERE--OR ELSEWHERE IF NECESSARY? IF SO, I WILL ADVISE JARZEBSKI TOMORROW JAN 7 DEFINITELY TO HOLD A DATE OPEN FOR YOU. REGARDS.

GERALD W. HARVEY  
AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE  
AMERICAN EMBASSY, WARSAW, POLAND  
6 JANUARY 1977  
BROWN

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